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SUBJECT : ALLEGED LOAN TO NATION OF ISLAM, CHICAGO

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED FOLLOWING TELEX ADDRESSED TO
AMBASSADOR WHICH IS SELF-EXPLANATORY: QUOTE.....
YOUR EXCELLENCY WE WERE TOLD BY DOCTOR ALBIN J. COTTRELL
PHD DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH CENTER FOR STRATEGIC AND INTER-
NATIONAL STUDIES GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY THAT YOU
WOULD CONFIRM FOR US A GIFT IN THE AMOUNT OF 1 MILLION
DOLLARS AND A COMMITMENT OF 16 MILLION DOLLARS MORE
GIVEN BY SHEIK ZIAD PRESIDENT OF UAE TO THE NATION OF
ISLAM HEADQUARTERS CHICAGO, ILL. USA THROUGH THE UAE
EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON. AS SOON AS WE HAVE VERIFICATION
OF THIS GIFT FROM SHEIK ZIAD WE WILL BE ABLE TO COMPLETE
OUR CONTRACT WITH THE NATION OF ISLAM SO THAT THEY
CAN PROCEED WITH CONSTRUCTION OF THEIR MOSQUE. PLEASE
ADDRESS YOUR REPLY DIRECTLY TO OUR BANK THE NATIONAL
BANK OF GREECE, ATTENTION MR. P. KOGIONES TELEX 254179
(ANSWERBACK) ETHNO GREECE-CGO. THANK YOU IN ADVANCE
FOR YOUR COOPERATION. P. KOGIONES UNQUOTE.....

2. EMBASSY REPLYING AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE. WITH

REFERENCE TO YOUR TELEX OF AUGUST 7 CONCERNING THE

REPORTED UAE GOVERNMENT LOAN TO THE NATION OF ISLAM
IN CHICAGO, WE BELIEVE THAT IT WOULD BE INAPPROPRIATE
FOR THIS EMBASSY TO INTERVENE IN A MATTER WHICH HAS
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APPARENTLY BEEN THE SUBJECT OF DIRECT DEALING BETWEEN

THE UAE GOVERNMENT AND THE NATION OF ISLAM. IF YOU
NEED FURTHER CONFIRMATION, IT WOULD APPEAR, FROM THE
CONTENTS OF YOUR MESSAGE, THAT THE APPROPRIATE POINT
OF CONTACT WOULD BE THE UAE AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED
STATES, HIS EXCELLENCY SAEED GHUBASH, WHO APPARENTLY
REPRESENTED THE UAE GOVERNMENT IN THIS MATTER.
REGARDS, M. STERNER, UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR.
UNQUOTE.

3. WE ARE FORWARDING ABOVE EXCHANGE FOR GENERAL
INFORMATION, PARTICULARLY IN EVENT DEPARTMENT RECEIVES
INQUIRES ON SUBJECT.
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